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In re Application of: **Russell G. Higuchi**) Group Art Unit: 1743
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Amendment Under 37 CFR § 1.312

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Sir:

Pursuant to a Notice of Allowance mailed April 2, 2004, all claims pending in the instant application (Claims 30-47), stand allowed. Prior to issuance, please enter the following amendments by which dependent claims 38 and 47 are canceled. This Amendment is being submitted prior to payment of the issue fee in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.312.

Amendments to the claims, as reflected in the Listing of Claims, begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.